1100 North Eutaw Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Secretary Hettleman:

In accordance with Article 41, §15CB of the Annotated Code, I hereby approve the reorganization of the Office of Community Services proposed in your letter dated October 21, 1982. This approval extends only to the structural aspects of the proposal. Specific personnel or budgetary items remain, of course, subject to the normal administrative processes.

I share your view that the new organization will promote improved delivery of those services provided by the Office of Community Services as well as clearer administrative accountability.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

October 21, 1982

The Honorable Harry Hughes Governor of Maryland State House Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Governor Hughes:

In 1971 the Maryland General Assembly established an Energy Assistance and Information Program within the Office of Community Services. In October 1981 there were significant federal legislative changes which further expanded the functions of the Office of Community Services. These included passage of a Low Income Energy Assistance Block Grant which was to be administered by the State, the continuation of the Weatherization Program and the establishment of a Community Services Block Grant, also to be administered by the State. To implement these laws, and in accordance with Article 41, §15 CB of the Annotated Code, the following organization of the Office of Community Services of the Community Programs Administration is proposed.

Present activities of the three programs would be separated into three distinct units; Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP), the Maryland Weatherization Program, and the Community Services Block Grant. Each would be administered by a director who would be responsible to the Executive Director, Office of